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Strickert named Professor of Year



FRED STRICKERT

by CRAIG SESKER

Wartburg professor Fred Strickert has had an almost immediate impact on the campus community.

His impact was confirmed last week when he was rewarded by the college as its selection for Professor of the Year for 1988.

Strickert, an assistant professor of religion, was one of five professors nominated by students for the honor, according to Dr. Ed Welch, provost.

Other nominees were Sam Michaelson, associate professor of English; Dr. Doris Cottam, associate professor of sociology; Dr. Mono Mohan Singh, assistant professor of chemistry; and Lois Lindell, assistant professor of economics.

The Faculty Personnel Committee ranked the five nominees, Brenda

Ackarman, student body president, said. The provost then put the student ranking provided by Student Senate together with the committee's ranking to come up with Strickert, she said.

"I was surprised," Strickert said of the honor. "I am overwhelmed by the whole thing. The shock (of receiving the honor) hasn't worn off."

Strickert, who came here in 1986, said he has no secrets to effective instruction but does try to keep students interested in the material he presents.

"I try to bring in a little humor every once in a while," he said. "I make use of audiovisuals."

"It (method of teaching) depends on the size of the class. It is hard to have proper contact in larger classes. You need to be aware of the needs of individuals. You have to keep students

awake and interested."

Junior Bill Schwint said he enjoyed his term in Literature of the Old and New Testament with Strickert.

"He presents the information clearly," Schwint said. "He puts some humor into it, too."

As recipient of the honor, Strickert will present a convocation address later this term. Ted Heine, associate professor of accounting, received the honor last year.

Strickert said he has been influenced by the positive spirit here.

"There is high morale at Wartburg," he said. "I'm kind of new here and I have a good feeling about Wartburg. The good feeling has been contagious."

He said the honor will serve as a good motivator for the future.

"I like it here at Wartburg," Strickert said. "My goals are to enhance my standing in the college and the community."

AIDS grant given to college, community

by NANCY ANDERSON

Wartburg College and the Waverly community will reap the benefits of a \$3,000 grant from the American Association of University Women (AAUW), according to Wartburg College Nurse Randi Ellefson. Ellefson, a member of the Waverly chapter of AAUW, was instrumental in the community receiving the AAUW Educational Foundation Grant.

The money will be used to educate people about AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome), Ellefson said. "The overriding idea of the project is to promote ongoing dialogue."

The grant was funded by the AAUW and the American Council of Life Insurance/Health Insurance Association of America. The Waverly chapter is part of a "pilot project for community dialogue on health-related subjects" sponsored by the AAUW, according to Ellefson.

Iowa, along with California, Connecticut and Arizona, was chosen to participate in the pilot project. Chapters proposed grant ideas and the Waverly AAUW chapter's proposal was one of 10 chosen to receive a grant. Only three Iowa chapters were awarded grants.

Ellefson said as soon as the project was proposed, a

task force of community members was formed to discuss the Waverly chapter's possibilities. The task force was made up of representatives from several key areas of the community: the ministry, city council, school board, college, insurance company, Hospice, public health and AAUW.

Ellefson then teamed up with Intern Pastor Jim Melvin, Wartburg's representative to the Waverly AAUW chapter, to write the grant proposal. The grant was mailed on Dec. 1, 1987 and on Jan. 15, 1988 Ellefson was notified that Waverly would receive the grant.

Since then the task force has been busy planning programs on AIDS.

"Our main goal is to help people talk about a very emotional topic," Ellefson said. "The second goal is to teach people that attitude and behavior change is possible by listening to each other, by knowing the facts and by knowing what they can do as individuals."

"We are promoting ongoing dialogue," Ellefson added. "We hope to start programs that will continue even after the \$3,000 is gone."

Part of the grant money was used to purchase the videotape, "Living with AIDS." The tape traces the life of a 20-year-old AIDS victim. The tape has been shown on

campus and will be presented to area youth groups.

Other programs being planned are a panel discussion and a one-act play about AIDS, Ellefson said.

On March 24 at 7 p.m. in Neumann Auditorium, a panel consisting of a doctor, pastor, insurance representative, biologist and two AIDS victims will hold an open forum and answer questions. Following the panel will be eight small group discussions that deal with talking about AIDS with your peers, family, doctor, insurance representative, care giver, educators and the experts. Ellefson emphasized that the purpose of the program is to facilitate communication.

Ellefson said that although the "community" has been defined as Bremer and Butler counties, the programs are open to everyone and attendance is encouraged.

"The whole project is starting to roll," Ellefson said. "We are starting to get publicity and many people are promoting our project. The task force members are also starting to make contributions which means they have taken it on as 'their' project and are dedicated to it."

The number of AIDS cases is continuing to rise in Iowa. As of Jan. 15, 1988, there were 83 cases of AIDS recorded in Iowa, according to the Department of Public Health. Ellefson said this figure is up 10 since November.

Stolen items recovered

by BEV EIDE

Personal items valued at \$100 were reported stolen from the car of Clayton Wilcox, assistant men's basketball coach, while his car was parked in the Physical Education parking lot Jan. 31.

According to Waverly police, the stolen items, a Walkman, books and papers, were recovered Feb. 1 in the Juhl addition neighborhood park located just north of the college.

Despite the recent reports of theft and vandalism, Chief of Security Bud Potter said these incidents are actually down on campus this year.

"Last year we had more thefts occur, especially of larger items," Potter said. "We will see an increase in the incidents of theft and vandalism, though, toward

the end of the term."

Potter said theft increases at the end of the term because it's easier for students to keep the stolen property.

"Kids get ready to go home and they are disgruntled with the college or someone," Potter said. "They see it as easier to skip out and not get caught. It's easier to take stolen property home with them."

To combat the problem, Potter said custodians are locking up more things, but individuals have to be more careful as well.

"It's up to the individual to secure their own things," Potter said. "And departments on campus also need to be more aware of leaving things unattended and unlocked."

Democratic, Republican caucuses slated for tonight

The Iowa caucuses for the Democratic and Republican presidential candidates will begin tonight at 7 p.m. The Democratic caucus will be held in the Buckmaster Room in Whitehouse Business Center and the Republican caucus will be at West Cedar School.

Each district is allotted a specific number of delegates at the caucus based on district population. The number of delegates supporting each

candidate at the primary is determined by the percentage of votes that candidate receives at the caucus.

In addition to voting for delegates, voters decide on official stands on issues (planks) for their party.

Students can register to vote tonight. Voters must declare a political party and must have a driver's license to register. Registration can be transferred to another county or state for the election.



Side press

Freshman Randy Katko and partner Anne-Marie Peters, junior, entertain the crowd at a recent women's basketball game. Ken Gorton photo.

editorial

Take part in caucuses

Today is a very important day in the state of Iowa.

Months of endless campaigning have seemingly come to a close in our state and it is time to take that first step in choosing the next leader of our country.

Wartburg has had ample exposure to visiting candidates and it should be time for students to voice their opinions. Today at 7 p.m. you can become a valuable part of this important process at the caucuses. All that is required is a driver's license. You don't even have to be registered to vote to attend.

A Democratic caucus precinct is right here on campus in the Buckmaster Room and the Republican caucus is close by.

Admittedly, the state of Iowa has been a victim of political overkill and many people are tired of hearing about the issues, but we must remember that the future of our country starts this evening.

We must voice our concerns in overturning a deficit that is raging out of control; we must do something to boost our educational system that is a victim of governmental strangleholds; we must fight apartheid in South Africa and aid to the Contras in Nicaragua; and we must refrain from constantly increasing military expenditures.

These issues are just a few examples of events that will shape our future. Tonight is a big first step. Think of your own role and your children's role in this melee.

We are not facing a national crisis but our government is in a fragile state right now.

In 1989, when you are criticizing the next president for a policy you disagree with, think about what involvement you actually had in the political process.

If you didn't vote and didn't become involved and informed, then what justification do you have to scrutinize?

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letter

Need seen for student center on campus

The following letter expresses what I think is an important issue for Wartburg students.

Close your eyes and imagine yourself out with your friends celebrating the end of the week on a Friday night. Lights flash in the darkness in synchronization with the words and beat of your favorite song. Some people are dancing or singing while others are laughing and yelling among themselves. The aroma of hot nachos, sandwiches and burgers is in the air. Everyone is there, and the place is rocking.

If you don't recognize the above scene from a place on the Wartburg campus, that is only one aspect of why Wartburg College should make more of an effort to counteract the recent change in the drinking age. The negative effects caused by the more severe law are evident now, and they will only become more recognizable as a smaller percentage of the campus can drink legally.

There are many students on campus who do not drink

Filibuster signals apathy as U.S. fights menace

(Wearily) "Please return to your seats, Senators. Potty breaks shouldn't last more than 15 minutes. Now, once again, it comes as no surprises that the chair recognizes the senior senator from Maine, Mr. Longwind."

"Thank you, Mr. Chairman. You know, a funny thing happened on the way to the Capitol. There I was, walking down Pennsylvania Avenue during the middle of the afternoon, when suddenly this huge anteater jumped out and attacked me, and..."

(Whispering) "I can't believe this, Bill. He's been filibustering for three straight days without a rest. The man isn't human."

"I know what you mean. I haven't heard one person talk so much since my last divorce."

"I didn't even think the topic he's filibustering against was that controversial...wait a minute, what is the topic he's filibustering against?"

"Beats me. That was nine meals and three changes of underwear ago. I think it had something to do with giving ourselves raises."

"Well, we have to pass the time somehow. Say, how about the Contra aid that the House just voted down. Do you have some opinions on that?"

"...and then the guy says to me, 'How was I supposed to know I had a rabid anteater?' Needless to say, I took a very dim view of that excuse and promptly hailed a cab that drove me to..."

"Absolutely. Nicaragua is Nicaragua's. The Enterprise's Prime Directive in "Star Trek" was to not interfere in the development of a society. I see no reason why that can't be applied to this situation."

"Is that discretion or just apathy? Why accept a communist nation so close to our borders if we can prevent it?"

"C'mon, that's too easy. Red Menace or not, meddling in another country's government is a no-no in my book. How about if Iceland decided it wanted control of the Senate?"

"That's a ridiculous example and you know it. As the leader of the Democratic World, America has inherited the duty of protection for all the other non-communist states."

"...when suddenly the anteater blew its nose all over the police officer. Have you ever seen an anteater blow its nose? It's phenomenal. But then..."

"Then take it from an economic view. Millions of dollars being spent in Central America means millions less being spent here."

"Drops in a bucket. That money is a tiny fraction of what we spend every day. It would barely be missed."

What in the World...



by Tim Pearson

"A few thousand could fix up several playgrounds in Washington. A few more thousand could help AIDS research. Other thousands could help our athletes train for the Olympics."

"Priorities need to be established, Bill. I think the preservation of democracy is near the top of the list."

"...at such a good price that I couldn't turn it down. So I took it by the leash and walked out the door, when suddenly Geraldo Rivera saw me and...hey, would you mind stopping that whispering over there? What are you talking about, anyway?"

"Nothing important. Now what about those raises?"

Staffers make caucuses

I organized my first political debate in fifth grade and since that time I have wanted to work for a candidate running for president.

The Iowa caucuses have given me that long awaited opportunity and tonight people all over the state will gather with their friends and neighbors to begin the presidential selection process.

I've learned a lot about politics during the past five months. The most important lesson I learned is that politics is hard work.

The glitz and glamour of "Dynasty's" political scene is light-years away from the reality of the caucuses.

In Iowa, a candidate is only as good as his/her organization. Because 15-hour work days and minimal wages are common, the staff needs to have what I call "The Political Mentality."

This political state of mind is not found specifically in any particular campaign. I have only worked for one, but I have observed that most workers possess varying degrees of two characteristics: intensity and sacrifice.

Intensity is the first. Each passing minute brings election day a little closer and there is a gnawing feeling that time is running out.

How campaigns deal with this pressure often separates the front-runners from the rest of the pack.

Staffers relieve tension through bad habits. Chain smokers and caffein-aholics are everywhere. Bad language abounds except of course when senior citizens or church groups are volunteering.

The ability to sacrifice is the second characteristic. The outside world slips away and non-political events become irrelevant. Your whole life is centered around the campaign and other interests lose importance.

Other forms of sacrifice include: sleeping only three hours a night, forgetting to eat and getting frostbite as you wait in sub-zero temperatures for the candidate to arrive.

Being a staff worker is often a thankless job. They are not in the limelight and their activities are not "Dynasty" material.

However, most of them are very happy. They are special people who believe in a candidate enough to virtually abandon everything to help him/her. They don't

May I say something



by Karen Thalacker

just wait for things to happen. They make things happen. Not only on the campaign trail, but in their personal lives as well.

I have met graduates of Oxford and Yale. Some have been through as many as 19 campaigns starting with Jack and Bobby Kennedy in 1960. Each person has a fascinating story about how they ended up in Iowa.

The caucuses will be over soon and regardless of the outcome, I will feel good knowing that I made some good friends, that I learned some valuable lessons and that I am going to wake up Feb. 9 knowing I did all I could.

and the den have a lot of positive qualities and with additions could become the place to be on campus.

The game room has, for example, an interesting appearance that could be played up with lights and decorations. There are already enough tables and chairs as well as room for an adequate dance floor. The pool tables and video games can be used as they are now.

The den, on the other hand, has many possibilities, too. The "first room" could stay the same and food could still be served. The "second room" could be cleared of furniture and become the dance floor.

It is often said that there is nothing to do on weekends. Everyone wants to have fun but there isn't always a satisfying way. With this proposal, there would always be somewhere to go and something to do. Everyone would benefit from the addition of an on-campus night club.

Jessica Schmidt
freshman

Optimistic about future

Professor says crash will not force recession

by WILL SAFRIS

"Some things, like peanut butter and jelly or 'Cagney and Lacey,' just go together naturally," said Dr. John Pisciotta, an economics professor from Baylor University. "But there is no reason to believe that the Oct. 19 stock market crash will create a recession; they just don't go together, at least not this time."

Pisciotta was referring to the Oct. 19 stock crash which sent the Dow Jones industrial average plummeting 508 points (almost 23 percent) and siphoned nearly \$600 billion from the bank books of stock investors world-wide.

Pisciotta spoke Thursday in Neumann Auditorium on the topic of "The Great Stock Market Crash of Oct. 19 and the Economic Depression that Didn't Happen." He compared the Crash of 1929 to the Crash of 1987 to prove his point that the U.S. won't experience a recession because of October's Black Monday.

"In 1929," Pisciotta said, "the stock market fell 48 percent, unemployment rose 21.5 percent, Gross National Product (GNP) fell \$32.2 billion, investments in business fell \$15.9 billion and consumer spending fell \$13.3 billion. These changes happened by 1933, but the first signs of trouble showed up within a year. Actually that's good news, because nothing has really changed yet after the 1987 crash."

Pisciotta said the high federal government budget of 1987, which amounts to 20 percent of real GNP, is a reason the U.S. has felt no immediate effects.

"Basically the federal government is inflexible and unresponsive during economic turbulence, because every year Congress passes a budget. In 1929 the budget was only five percent of GNP, but now because it is near 20 percent, and because the budget will get spent, that adds stable money to the economy for the short-term."



ECONOMICS AUTHORITY—Dr. John Pisciotta, economics professor from Baylor University, says the recent stock market crash will not cause a recession. Pisciotta spoke Thursday in Neumann Auditorium.

Pisciotta named three other factors of demand (personal consumption, business investments and total exports minus imports) that could indicate when a recession is coming.

Personal consumption, Pisciotta said is "the most threatening and crucial figure" because it directly relates to the amount of business investments made in the U.S.

"If consumers don't use their wealth to buy goods, it directly affects the whole business community, because when people aren't buying, the business community lowers production."

He said that corporations whose stocks plummeted will now have a tougher time raising the capital for business expansion. Thus, if people quit buying products, the "bicycle maker will close two plants instead of opening a new plant."

However, after the 1987 Crash, business capacity in

the U.S. remains above 80 percent, which means businesses continue to re-invest in expansion projects, and consumers are continuing to buy available goods and services.

"Furthermore," Pisciotta said, "the export industry is booming because of the low dollar. It means more American goods are being sold to foreigners, because it takes fewer foreign dollars to buy them."

Pisciotta said unemployment has remained the same (5.9 percent) and only the index of leading economic indicators had decreased in the past three months. He noted that most of the decrease is because stock prices are one of the indicators.

"The U.S. is in its 62nd month without a recession, and I think things are still looking very good," Pisciotta said. "I remain very optimistic about the U.S. economy at this time."

Cast members announced for spring play

by JILL BOWDEN

Cast members for the spring play, Arthur Miller's "All My Sons," were announced Thursday according to Steve Palmquist, director of the production.

Sophomore Erik Russell will portray Joe Keller, while senior Karen Thalacker will play the role of Kate, his wife. Freshman Alan D. Feirer will be Chris Keller, their son. The role of Ann Deever, the neighbor girl who loves Chris, will be played by freshman Brenda Thompson. Ann's brother, George, will be portrayed by sophomore Jon Darter.

Neighbors Dr. Jim Bayliss and his wife, Sue, will be portrayed by junior Rob Marquardt and sophomore Sonya Barnett, respectively. Freshmen Jeff Nielsen and Laura Thalacker will play the roles of Frank and Lydia Luby. Also in the cast is Chris Hanfelt, a student at Waverly-Shell Rock, in the role of Bert.

Working with Palmquist during the production will be senior Don Bronsema as the assistant director, freshman Deb Sabin as the assistant stage manager, and sopho-

more Millicent Bliesener as the House Manager. A number of other Wartburg students will assist in costuming, make-up, lights and sound, publicity and properties.

"All My Sons" is a play that Palmquist has been waiting a number of years to direct and produce.

"It presents a number of challenges to the actors as well as the technicians," he said, "it also has a message for the audience that is powerful and necessary for them to see and hear."

According to Palmquist, "All My Sons" is a three-act drama set in the late 40s about a family who has become wealthy through the war effort; their metal shop was involved in the construction of military engines. The Keller family had two sons who fought in World War II; Chris was in the infantry while Larry was a fighter pilot. Chris returned home, but Larry is "missing in action" and presumed dead. In his absence, Chris has fallen in love with Larry's girl, Ann Deever.

Ann is also the daughter of Joe Keller's former busi-

ness partner who is currently in prison for producing defective engine parts that caused the deaths of numerous pilots from airplane crashes.

Palmquist said the play depicts a time after the war when the Keller family is trying to return to a "normal" situation. A minor problem arises, however, when Mother Kate Keller refuses to believe that her son, Larry, is dead.

"The play's theme is a search for a balance between the value of money, the value of family and a question of morals such as honesty, courage and sacrifice," Palmquist said.

"Another theme is honesty and our perceptions of people versus what really is," he said. "It emphasizes telling the truth to others and telling the truth to ourselves."

Production dates for "All My Sons" are March 17, 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. and March 20 at 2 p.m. in Players Theatre.

Nautilus rep to give tips on physical fitness

by MARLYS THOMAS

Warren Dew, Nautilus Equipment's regional director over Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska, will address the topic of physical fitness at convocation Thursday.

The convocation will be in Knights Gymnasium at 9:30 a.m., and a question and answer session will follow in the weight room.

According to Dr. Richard Walker, Physical Education Department chair,

Dew will deal primarily with strength development.

"The college is putting more emphasis on fitness," Walker said. "With our new facilities, we can offer more opportunities now than we could before."

Walker says he hopes Dew will give the students insights as to the benefits of participation in fitness programs.

Dew has extensive experience in fitness-related work. After compiling a two-year 37-16 baseball coaching record

at Missouri Valley College, Dew began work with the Physical Fitness Institute of America, as Missouri state director.

When Physical Fitness Institute of America merged with Professional Gym, Inc., Dew served over four years as vice president and sales manager.

Dew left Professional Gym for a career opportunity with Nautilus Sports Medical Industries and from there moved to his position with Nautilus Equipment, Inc.

In 1985, Dew took time off from Nautilus Equipment, Inc., to open a fitness specialty store and later returned to Nautilus.

Dew has had coaching experience in high school baseball, basketball and football; and in college baseball, football and wrestling.

As a college athlete, Dew earned three varsity letters in football at Western Illinois University and was an all-conference player.

Information sessions planned for new RA's

by BEV EIDE

Information sessions for 1988-1989 Resident Assistant (RA) selection are being held during the next two weeks. Anyone interested in applying for an RA position must attend one of these sessions, according to Ed Knupp, director of residential life.

Knupp said the selection and training of the RA's will be headed by Brad McCalla, resident hall director of Grossmann Hall and the Manors.

McCalla said a total of 36 positions, 32 RA's and four Assistant Directors (AD's), will be filled by returning and new RA's. He said RA selection will be complete by March 25 and training for new RA's will begin March 27. McCalla, who is in his first year here, doesn't anticipate changing the selection and training program from pre-

vious years.

McCalla said the AD positions, which are new this year, will be used again next year because of the strength the AD positions added to the residential life program.

"Like any first-year program, we are kind of searching for its total role," McCalla said. "Each AD has done something different, so it's hard to write a job description. But overall, their assistance to the hall director has been very good, and it has added strength to the program."

One change that will take place that is not really new, Knupp said, is that the RA's in the Manors will go back to having a single room.

"In the past the RA's in the Manors always had their

own rooms," Knupp said. "The decision to go back to a single room was tough. We got mixed feedback from the current RA staff in the Manors, but we finally decided that maybe the RA's weren't being used as a resource enough when they had a roommate. Sometimes the roommates would get in the way of the RA's performing their duties."

Knupp said that despite having a totally new residential life staff at the beginning of the year, everyone has worked hard toward a successful year.

"The ability of the new hall directors to work with an established RA staff was real positive," Knupp said. "This year has been a real transition for all of us and I'm happy with the way it has been going."

Seniors face challenge

by MONTE BOWDEN

A group of 1988 seniors are searching for a focus for a senior class fundraising project.

Teresa Cordes, senior fundraising committee co-captain, said members have decided seniors are interested in the project and have been kicking some ideas around. Now the committee needs to find out exactly what the class as a whole wants to do.

The project idea stems from a challenge by the class of 1987 issued for future classes to challenge their gift. The 1987 seniors "Going Out in Style" campaign set a goal of being the first class in Wartburg's history to have 100 percent of its class members make a contribution to the college endowment fund. Here the contributions can go toward funding existing scholarships and campus programs, or subsidizing financial aid and tuition.

According to Jan Striepe, fundraising committee adviser, last year's figures are nearly high enough to set up an endowed Class of 1987 Scholarship should the class choose to do so. An annual scholarship would then be set up from the interest received from the 1987 student contribution.

This year's committee is considering an endowment contribution or possibly some type of physical campus improvement project financed through contributions from the class of 1988. According to Walt Vering, committee co-captain, committee members would like to hear from any seniors who have additional project or fundraising theme ideas. The committee will be sending letters to all 1988 seniors with more information about the project. This letter will give them a chance to select the fundraising project they feel is the best way for the class 1988 to make a valuable contribution to the college.

"The neat thing is that the amount each senior decides to give isn't important, but just the fact that we're all joining together to do something," committee member Michelle Baxter said.

The senior fundraising committee consists of co-captains Teresa Cordes and Walt Vering and members Roxanne Baumgartner, Michelle Baxter, Monte Bowden, Rich Buchholz, Joan Busch, Casey Cason, Carol Croghan, Robyn DeSautel, Al Duminy, Donita Heikens, Lisa Huesman, Daudi Kaliisa, Kent Kleckner, Kristine Kuper, Will Safris, Marv Spencer and Chris Triplitt.

Degree in Experimental Psychology

Betz becomes newest 'Doctor' with Ph.D.



BRIAN BETZ

by JILL BOWDEN

The newest doctor on Wartburg's campus may be found in the Psychology Department. After two years of working toward his degree, Dr. Brian Betz, instructor in psychology, has recently been awarded his Ph.D. in experimental psychology by Ohio University in Athens.

Betz said he chose to pursue his degree for job purposes. "A master's degree in psychology isn't a whole lot when it comes to teaching these days," he said. "When I enrolled as a graduate student, it was a four-year plan, so I always knew I was working towards it."

His dissertation topic was "The Effects of Personality on Social Influence in a Prisoner's Dilemma Game." This game is often used by social scientists in laboratories to study conflict.

"I was interested in personality differences in resolving conflict," he said. "In the game, people will either

cooperate or compete."

Betz used a number of Wartburg students as subjects for his research. His studies found that different personality types do use different strategies in different ways to resolve conflict. He plans to use his research findings in the classroom as an added resource.

Betz joined the Wartburg faculty in 1986. He spent the four previous years at Ohio University completing his M.S. degree and beginning work on his doctorate and serving as a teaching assistant and instructor.

In 1983, he implemented a moral development program for delinquent mentally retarded adults aimed at enhancing decision-making skills.

He has written papers that have been published by the "Journal of Conflict Resolution" and the "Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin."

Betz is a graduate of Kent State University in Ohio.

newsbriefs

Colman McCarthy, columnist for the Washington Post, is scheduled to visit campus Friday. His visit was arranged by the Dell Association for Peace and Justice. McCarthy will speak to three classes in addition to having lunch with students and faculty in the Jester's Chamber at noon. He will speak to the Intro to American Politics class at 9 a.m. in room 20 of Becker Hall; speak to the Intermediate Composition class at 10:45 a.m. in room 302 of Luther Hall; and speak to the Advanced Journalism class at 1:15 p.m. in the Jousting Post. The 9 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. presentations are open to the community. McCarthy is founder and director of the Center for Teaching Peace and an instructor of peace studies at the American University and Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

Fifteen additional students have been named to the Dean's List for the Fall Term at Wartburg, according to Dr. Ed Welch, provost. These students join the 198 students who earlier were announced to have made the list. The additional students are: David Bergman, Chris Boerm, Tammy Bolstad, Christie Christensen, Kathryn Coffman, Amy Forsythe, Suzanne Haack, Dixie Jacobs, Thomas Opoien, Sue Orth, Mary Puffett, Eric Spake, Robin Taylor, Russell Vance and Joan Wiley.

Traditional class rings are being replaced and the final design of the new rings are in the final stages. The ring committee has the options narrowed to two designs: one reflects the heritage of the college, the Wartburg Castle and the other design is a "W" representative of the new college lettering as seen on the sign by Bremer Avenue. A straw poll will be taken Thursday outside Buhr Lounge to solicit opinions from students, faculty and staff.

Chapel Schedule: Pastor Larry Trachte, Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium. Senior Rebecca Debner, Friday in Buhr Lounge at 10:15 a.m. Helena Savage, maintenance for Clinton and Grossmann Hall, Monday at 10:15 a.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

An award-winning theatre company, Pin Points, is to perform an entertainment feature, "1001 Black Inventions," here tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Neumann Auditorium.

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Confident Simon makes final swing



SENATOR PAUL SIMON

by ANNE-MARIE PETERS

Paul Simon is king of the political road according to some Wartburg College community members.

During a rally Friday at the Waverly railroad station, Senator Paul Simon met approximately 50 serenading supporters.

The Illinois senator rode into town around 5 p.m. aboard the Starclipper dinner train for a brief political rally.

Students and Waverly residents met Simon with buttons, signs, bow ties and song.

After hearing a song done to the tune of "King of the Road," Simon responded by saying, "We're going to get the Wartburg Paul Simon glee club into the White House one day."

Simon continued with more positive remarks about the campaign.

"We are down to these final hours where whatever you do becomes critically important," Simon said. "We saw a poll today where it shows the three top candidates within three percentage points of each other and a four point margin of error. But it means the momentum, I think, is coming our way. We've got to keep it going."

Simon wasn't the only person confident of his

campaign success. Several students share and support his platform.

Sophomore Eric Grube said, "Paul is a honest candidate. I like his character. He has a good idea of the domestic problems in this country along with good ideas about the deficit and arms control."

Senior Karen Thalacker says she likes two things about Paul Simon. "His experience and his integrity make me a supporter. He's not running for president of Iowa like Richard Gephardt, he's not running for governor of the United States like Michael Dukakis, Paul Simon is running for President of the United States."

Some supporters, like Grube and Thalacker, decided to ride the rails with the democratic presidential hopeful to Waterloo for a private conference.

During this conference Simon brought back memories of a past president.

Simon said, "You and I are old enough to remember somebody who traveled in a train by the name of Harry Truman. He wasn't supposed to win but he fought for working men and women and fought for the presidency. He turned this country in a direction that helped this country, and my friends, we're going to do the same in 1988."

Gephardt's wife echoes concerns

by CRAIG SESKER

Echoing her husband's stances on ensuring freer trade and restoring funds to educational loan programs, Jane Gephardt, the wife of Democratic presidential candidate Dick Gephardt, made a late campaign swing through Wartburg Friday as the caucuses draw near.

Dick Gephardt, a congressman from Missouri and the leader in recent polls entering tonight's caucuses, also made a quick stop in Waverly this morning at 10:15 in City Hall.

One issue Gephardt has been most vocal about has been our system of trade. The congressman's wife echoed Gephardt's concerns.

"We need a two-way street to fair trade," she said. "If other countries are

charging tariffs for our products then we can't compete. Dick has talked about a trade bill which is not isolationism or protectionism. It's protectionism. I think we need changes. We are losing jobs to overseas markets. We need a new trade policy."

Jane Gephardt said three qualities about her husband have made him an effective leader:

- (1) ideas to make changes
- (2) leadership needed to promote the ideas
- (3) character and integrity to follow through with the ideas

"It is not what you say, it is the example you set," she said. "On Feb. 8, you have the loudest voice in America. Send that message."

Mrs. Gephardt also said her husband

is opposed to current governmental policies in South Africa and Central America.

"He (Dick) would divest business interests in South Africa as long as the apartheid system remained there," she said. "He would pull out economic activity there until the policy changed."

"Dick was the leader on the floor to stop aid to the contras (in Nicaragua). He stood up eight times to stop contra aid. He doesn't believe in it. He wants to address more pressing problems like poverty, hunger and disease. He wants to give peace a chance."

Education is another area of concern for Gephardt.

"Education is one of his top priorities," she said. "He (Dick) would restore funds to the loan program that have been cut

by the Reagan administration."

Although Mrs. Gephardt was unsure of her husband's stances on Cuba, she did liken Dick Gephardt to former President Harry Truman, a native of Missouri.

"Harry Truman spoke to the American people with his heart," she said. "He tried to do what was right. Dick is that kind of leader. He is for the family farmer, the factory worker, children and senior citizens. He has clear-cut ideas."

Restoring faith in the government is another area Gephardt is concerned with. Mrs. Gephardt said a recent visit to the University of Missouri indicated to her that students are losing faith in leaders.

"Students don't trust politicians," she said. "People are losing faith in the government."

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Knights down Luther, win tourney



VOSS VICTORY—Wartburg junior Jeff Voss (top) grapples with Luther's Steve McCauley in the Knights' 29-9 win over the Norsemen Wednesday at Knights Gymnasium. Voss decisively won McCauley at 167 pounds, 2-1, and the Knights upped their season dual meet record to 8-2 overall. Rich Gordon photo.

by RICH GORDON

Wartburg's wrestlers steamrolled Luther Wednesday at Knights Gymnasium, 29-9, and won the eight-team All-Lutheran Tourney Saturday at Decorah, giving the Knights their second straight undefeated week.

The tournament victory was the first time Wartburg has won that particular event in 10 years, according to Coach Dick Walker.

"The last time we won this tournament was in 1978," Walker said. "We had a very good effort from the squad. The team won 35 matches and lost 15 for the day, so we were quite pleased with our mental intensity, and our ability to sustain that intensity for the entire day."

The Knights, who are currently ranked 12th in the nation in Division III, blew away the other seven teams in the field, including 11th-ranked Augsburg (MN).

Wartburg finished first with 143.75 points, while Augsburg was a distant second with 115 points. Waldorf took third (102), followed by Luther (89.75), Gustavus Adolphus (67.5), Augustana-Rock Island (50.75), St. Olaf (48.5) and Concordia-Moorhead (40.5).

Juniors Ben Hupke and Dean Gavin paved the way for Wartburg's victory. Hupke went 4-0 on the day to win the tournament championship at 142 pounds, while Gavin posted a 3-0 mark to take home championship honors at 190.

Placing second for the Knights were freshman Matt Rechkemmer (3-1 at 158), junior Jeff Voss (2-1 at 167) and sophomore Jack Denholm (2-1 at 177). Third-place winners included junior Jan Kahler

(3-1 at 118), sophomore Jerry Ackerman (3-1 at 134), sophomore Steve Walker (4-1 at 150), junior Jon Waddell (4-1 at 158) and senior Walt Vering (3-1 at heavyweight).

"We knew Augsburg had to be tough because they beat (fifth-rated) Buena Vista at Upper Iowa," Hupke said. "The key to winning the tourney was our matchups against Augsburg. We had 10 guys that scored, and everyone scored well."

The Knights also scored well in their last home dual meet of the year, a 29-9 win over Luther Wednesday.

Wartburg received decisions from Ackerman, Hupke, Rechkemmer, Voss and Denholm, a draw from junior Jeff Frost at 150 and a pin from Gavin as the Knights lost only two matches all day. Luther's Todd Bowmen beat freshman Pat King at 126, 13-0, and Tom Fye decisively won Vering at heavyweight, 9-6. Kahler received a forfeit at 118.

"We're always pleased to beat Luther," Walker said. "We thought they might have four or five kids in the middle weights that would be good, and they turned out to be close matches."

The Knights stand at 8-2 overall in dual meets this year, 4-1 against conference opponents. With the conference meet just two weeks away, Wartburg will face Simpson Wednesday at Indianola and Upper Iowa Saturday at Fayette.

"We're at the point in the season where we're right where we want to be," Hupke said. "We're continually wrestling better, and I think we're gonna surprise some people at the conference meet."

Cagers fall from first to third in IIAC race

by STEVE MCGREW

After road losses to William Penn Tuesday, 83-67, and Loras Friday, 69-55, the Wartburg men's basketball team needed a win at Dubuque to regain first place in the Iowa Conference.

They didn't get it. Dubuque guard Todd Millon was a one-man wrecking crew for the Spartans, tossing in 25 points to lead them past the Knights, 74-53. Millon converted five three-pointers and completed a rare five-point play late in the first half when he made two free throws after being fouled on a three-point attempt.

"Millon is one of the premier players in the league," said Knight Head Coach Buzz Levick, who saw his team fall to 6-4 in loop play. "I think Dubuque (now 7-2 in the league) has to be the overwhelming favorite to win the conference. They're tough at home and they've also won their last three road games."

Millon put the game away early. With the score at 2-2, he made two fast-break layups and nailed two three-pointers to spur a 24-7 run that put Dubuque up, 26-9, with seven minutes left in the first half. The Spartans led at halftime, 40-21.

"Team speed is our biggest asset," Millon said. "It's the reason we're ahead in the conference and able to control our own destiny now."

Team speed wasn't a factor in Wartburg's loss to Loras. The DuHawks' height seemed to be their main asset. All of their front line players were 6-foot-7, headed by forward Dave Daniel.

Daniel, who had 23 points, was 10 for 16 from the field. Using their height advantage, Loras tried to go inside as much as possible. It worked. Wartburg committed

ted 33 personal fouls to Loras' 20. The DuHawks took advantage of that by making 20 of 24 free throws.

It seemed as though the Knights were unable to get inside. Consequently they attempted only 15 free throws.

Senior Mark Rolinger, who leads the Iowa Conference in free-throw percentage, was asked why the Knights were unable to get inside.

"Loras did a good job of executing their man-to-man pressure defense," Rolinger said. "They simply took us out of our offense."

In contrast, Rolinger said he and the rest of the team aren't sure why they are having trouble defensively.

"I don't know if it's a case of desire or not. All of us in the front court are at a loss for what the problem is," Rolinger said. "I personally think the problem is we're not playing aggressive defense. We're waiting for good things to happen, instead of creating turnovers."

Levick would likely agree with Rolinger's statement.

"Defensively, Loras took away everything we wanted to do," Levick said. "They were much more aggressive than we were. They just plain outplayed us in every phase of the game."

Levick said the key to the game was the way Loras took charge in the second half. The DuHawks made their first five shots from the field in the second stanza to turn a 33-29 halftime lead into a 49-37 lead with 10:38 to go.

For the game, Loras shot 52 percent from the field, while the Knights connected on 45 percent of their shots.

Sophomore Chris Huecksteadt had a smooth performance, tallying 23 points. He was eight for 15 from the field, including four three-pointers. Junior Mike Murphy chipped in with 10 points.

"Chris can really score," Rolinger said. "In my opinion, he's the best three-point shooter in the conference."

Another big scorer is William Penn's Anthony Scott, who scored 28 points in a losing effort against the Knights in January. The Statesmen got even Tuesday, but Scott wasn't the main factor.

"Scott had 18 points and that's quite a bit, but it was (Alan) Tenboer who killed us," Levick said. "He had 21 points and a number of those points came off offensive rebounds put back to score."

Levick said his own team was hurt by its inability to capitalize on offensive rebounds.

"Nettleton (freshman Dan Nettleton) and Huecksteadt had four offensive rebounds, but Ira (junior Terry Ira) had none," Levick said. "It wasn't so much Ira's fault as it was Tenboer's ability. He did a job on everyone inside."

Huecksteadt and senior Casey Cason led the Knights in scoring with 18 and 11 points respectively.

Cason and Rolinger were replaced by Nettleton and junior Rich Williamson at Dubuque, but nothing was working against the Spartans. Yet Millon still worries about the Knights.

"They'll be tough to beat at home," he said. "They have a good group of fans, who support them well."

The Knights return home this week to take on Central tomorrow, Simpson Friday and Luther Saturday. To win those games, Rolinger said the squad needs to improve its play in the beginning of the second half.

"We've been losing our games in the opening five minutes of the second half. We need to start controlling the tempo during this time, because I would have to say it's the most important part of a contest," Rolinger said.

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Lady Knights 0-3 on week, drop to fifth

by CHARLIE F. KURTZ

Lack of consistent offense resulted in three consecutive losses for the Wartburg women's basketball team last week, as the Lady Knights fell to William Penn, Loras and the University of Dubuque.

Wartburg shot a dismal 38 percent from the floor Tuesday at Knights Gymnasium, as William Penn outlasted the Knights, 72-62. Sophomore center Kathy Smith scored 19 points and senior forward Janae Bravard added 16 points in a losing effort.

"These last few games were not as smooth as they have been in the last few games," Wartburg Coach Kathy Meyer-Thomas said. "Offensively as a team, we've had problems in scoring and shooting percentage. That has hurt us."

Smith and Bravard led the way again for the Knights Friday at Dubuque with 19 and 18 points respectively, but it wasn't enough to beat Loras as Wartburg fell, 70-60.

"We didn't play as a team," Smith said. "When we get behind, we have a tendency to clam up and throw the ball away a lot. That was the same story for the other games, too."

"Friday and Saturday we lost the game on the free-throw line," said Meyer-Thomas. "We shot an even percentage with both teams, but against Dubuque they shot 25 free throws and we shot

maybe eight or nine."

At Dubuque Saturday, the Knights shot better from the field but the Spartans nudged Wartburg at the end, 64-60, and handed the Knights their third straight loss.

"We played better Saturday night than we did Friday night, which is encouraging team-wise because I think we're getting out of the slump we've been in," Meyer-Thomas said.

Bravard contributed 19 points and 10 rebounds, with Smith adding 17 points. Junior forward Beth Warner pitched in with 12 points.

Meyer-Thomas said the team has to play well on the road to fulfill their original goals.

"Our goal was to win at least half the games on the road, which means we still have to beat both Central and Upper Iowa, our remaining road games, to keep that goal," she said. "And we want to win the rest at home. We want to finish in the upper division of the conference. Realistically, I think we can get to third or fourth."

"We need to play as a team and have a good attitude going into the game," Smith added. "A winning attitude."

Wartburg faces Central tomorrow at Pella, then will be home at Knights Gymnasium to host Simpson Friday and Luther Saturday.



HMMM, SHOULD I PASS OR...? Senior Janae Bravard (right) keeps the ball out of the reach of William Penn's Penny Helmick while looking for an open teammate in the Knights' 72-62 loss to the Statesmen Tuesday at Knights Gymnasium. The loss dropped Wartburg from second place in the IAC. Ken Gorton photo.

sportsbriefs

Sophomore Kathy Smith, center for the Wartburg women's basketball squad, has been named Iowa Conference Player of the Week for her efforts against Central Jan. 26 and Buena Vista Jan. 30. Smith was seven of 16 from the floor and five of six from the line for 19 points in the Knights' 77-70 win over Central. The Dubuque native also pulled down a season-high 16 rebounds. In a 67-62 victory over Buena Vista, she made 11 of 14 field goal attempts in leading the Knights with 22 points.

Three straight wins by the Wartburg men's junior varsity squad last week extended their winning streak to four games and upped their season record against opposing JV teams to 7-3, 11-7 overall. The Knights thrashed William Penn, 100-82, Tuesday at Oskaloosa. Against Cornell Thursday at Knights Gymnasium, the Knights trailed at halftime, 27-25, but scored 59 second-half points en route to an 84-49 win over the Rams. "We weren't ready to play in the first half," JV Coach Ed Knupp said. "But we shot 62 percent (from the floor) in the second half after shooting 25 percent in the first half." The Knights finished the week with an 87-71 victory at Dubuque Saturday.

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| 5. WILLIAM PENN STATESMEN | 4-5 |
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Saturday at Dubuque

WARTBURG (53)
Murphy 5-11 2-2 12, Nettleton 1-3 1-1 3, Ira 1-2 0-0 2, Williamson 1-6 0-0 3, Huecksteadt 2-8 0-0 5, Rolinger 2-5 2-2 6, Cason 2-3 1-2 5, Reinhardt 3-11 2-2 10, Thein 0-3 2-2 2, Olenius 0-1 0-0 0, Sathoff 2-5 0-0 4, Lee 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 19-60 11-13 53.
UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE (74)
Davison 1-1 2-2 5, Gordon 3-7 0-0 6, Laugand 0-0 0-0 0, Millon 8-11 4-5 25, Battle 1-5 1-2 4, Bennett 2-8 2-2 6, Rodgers 1-7 0-0 2, Buchman 0-2 0-0 0, Foster 3-6 0-0 6, Harris 4-4 4-9 12, Franklin 0-0 0-0 0, Carpenter 2-4 0-3 4, Crawford 2-6 0-2 4. Totals 27-61 13-25 74.

Saturday at Dubuque

WARTBURG (60)
Bravard 8-23 2-4 19, Warner 6-12 0-1 12, Smith 8-15 1-1 17, Anderson 1-3 0-1 2, Helgeland 4-9 0-0 8, Jensen 0-2 2-2 2, Vering 0-0 0-0 0, Heikens 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 27-66 5-9 60.
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Halftime—Wartburg 35, Dubuque 33. Three-point goals—Bravard. Rebounds—Wartburg 40 (Bravard 10), Dubuque 42 (Bizzach 11). Total fouls—Wartburg 19, Dubuque 13. Fouled out—Bravard.

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Profs make professions of love

by MARLYS THOMAS

Wartburg professors are not too busy for love; at least not all of them.

Somehow Cupid's arrow has struck the hearts of many of Wartburg's knowledgeable crew and saved them from "loveless lives."

The matchmaking details are sometimes juicy and sometimes not, but several professors and their spouses have agreed to talk about the love in their lives.

Love happens in the darndest places, and according to Kathy Meyer-Thomas, assistant professor of physical education, love happened to her on the volleyball court. That's where she met her husband, Dan Thomas, associate professor of political science.

Meyer-Thomas explains that Dan started coming to the informal Sunday night volleyball sessions that she arranged, and that is how she got to know him.

"A year after we met we went to a movie for our first date," Meyer-Thomas said. "After five months of dating we decided to get married, because it's what we wanted to do."

This marriage between two Wartburg professors is fairly recent—May 23, 1987. It was Dan Thomas' second marriage, but for Meyer-Thomas it was a first. Meyer-Thomas says that the adjustment from single to married life hasn't been too tough.

"The toughest thing for me now is that I have to be accountable for my time. I can't always just pick up and take off like I used to do," she said.

Both Thomas' agree that it is an advantage for them to work at the same college. They enjoy seeing each other occasionally during the day, and they have also widened their social circles.

"We really came from two circles of friends, so we've both met new people through one another," Meyer-Thomas said.

When there's time for leisure, the Thomas' enjoy golfing and going to movies, but where Valentine's Day is concerned there are no special plans.

"Maybe I'll make Dani take me out for dinner or something," Meyer-Thomas said.

Though Valentine's Day may not have a terribly special meaning for the Thomas', it has tremendous significance to Lois and Terry Lindell, assistant professor of economics and assistant professor of history, respectively.

Valentine's Day is the anniversary of the Lindell's unofficial engagement. It was Valentine's Day 1980 that Terry gave Lois a stuffed dog, which they named Rusty. Around Rusty's neck was a ribbon with a Valentine's Day card attached to it. Inside the card was a receipt for their ring set and a Kleenex tissue.

"I put in the Kleenex, because I knew she'd tear up," said Terry, explaining that at first she didn't see the receipt, so she was confused by what the Kleenex was for.

The Lindells always celebrate Valentine's Day by doing something special for just the two of them. That special activity is often having a home-cooked spaghetti



NEW LOVE—Married less than a year, Kathy Meyer-Thomas and Dan Thomas have joined two separate Wartburg lives in to one loving bond. Ken Gorton photo.



SHARING LOVE—Fred and Gloria Strickert find that togetherness is an important factor in keeping love alive. Ken Gorton photo.

dinner by candlelight.

"The spaghetti dinner is a tradition," explains Terry. "On our first Valentine's Day together, Lois made a spaghetti dinner for us in two hot pots, because we were still living in dorms."

The Lindells met as graduate students at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. They knew each other through teaching assistant training sessions and by living on the same floor of a coed dorm.

After finishing the written exams for his master's degree, Terry asked Lois out to a movie for their first date.

"I was kind of looking forward to it," Lois said. "I thought it would be kind of nice to get out and do something different, but I wasn't serious about Terry yet."

Before becoming serious about each other the Lindells built a solid friendship, and both agree that being good friends is important to their marriage.

"I was attracted to Lois by her personality. I felt comfortable with her, and I feel that one should be a friend with the person they marry," Terry said.

Lois agreed. "I married my best friend," she said, adding that their shared interests in music, travel, movies and books add to their friendship and marriage.

The Lindells were married on May 8, 1982, which Terry notes is V-E Day (Victory in Europe), and that makes it easy for a historian to remember.

It's too bad that there's not a "PE Day" that Dick Walker, chair of the Physical Education Department could have gotten married on. Maybe then he would remember his wedding date.

According to Shirley Walker, the two were married on June 25, 1960, contrary to Dick's initial response that the wedding was on June 24, 1959.

Walker says that the circumstances under which he met his wife, were "very simple."

"We were both first year teachers at Waterloo West High School. All the other teachers were old, so Shirley had no choice. If she wanted to date anybody, it was pretty restricted," said Walker.

He describes their period of courting as basically a "cafeteria romance," because at lunch breaks they had only each other to visit with. Through these visits, Walker admits that he found Shirley to be a very pleasant young lady.

Shirley Walker isn't the avid sports fan that her husband is, but still on their first date Dick chose to take his girl to a romantic event—a college football game. Shirley calls the outing "ridiculous."

"I enjoy sports, but I am not an astute critic of a game," she said. Still Shirley was attracted to Dick Walker. "When we first met everything was new and exciting. Dick was comfortable to be with. He is very much in control of things, yet he allows me to be my own person."

The Walkers have four children, and these children have been their major common interest. "Our biggest difference in opinion was probably on how to raise the kids," said Dick Walker, "but since they've all turned out okay, I guess everything is all right."

Another couple that see their children as a main interest are Fred and Gloria Strickert, assistant professor of religion and console operator/receptionist, respectively. The Strickerts have three children.

"Family is an important part of our lives," said Fred. "Our children are a priority and they come first."

Fred and Gloria met at the end of their freshmen year at St. Paul's College in Concordia, MO. According to Gloria, Fred sat behind her in one of her classes and she thought he was a neat guy and hoped that he would ask her out.

After some encouragement from several friends, Fred got up the nerve to ask Gloria to the Spring Banquet, which was their first date.

"I knew this date was special, because for the first time in my life, I was nervous," said Gloria.

The Strickerts kept dating, even after graduation put Gloria in Seward, NE, and Fred in pre-seminary in Fort Wayne, IN. They were married July 25, 1970.

Gloria feels that the opposite personality traits of her and her husband are an attracting force.

"I'm the one that talks all the time, and Fred is shy and quiet," she said.

Both Strickerts agree that keeping the love alive in their marriage is a process of working together and sharing.

"It's not necessarily the romantic stuff, but it's the little things like washing the dishes together," Fred said. "I'm not really the romantic type, but every once in awhile it's nice to send flowers as a surprise."

For Gloria, keeping the love alive, is done through sharing. "We've gone through many situations and hard times, which help us to cling together. I would follow Fred anywhere."

Socializing, friendships, tolerance and sharing have been keys to the relationships between the Thomas', the Lindells, the Walkers and the Strickerts. They do say that "love conquers all."



PUPPY LOVE—A stuffed dog named Rusty is a symbol of love between professors Lois and Terry Lindell.